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PATENT APPLICATION

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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of:

Hiroshi YABE et al.

Appln. No.: 10/014,521

Group Art Unit: 3683

Filed: December 14, 2001

Examiner: P. Rodriguez

For: DAMPER ASSEMBLY WITH TORQUE LIMITER

AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL REJECTION

Commissioner for Patents
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Attn: Mail Stop AF

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed April 23, 2003, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the claims begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 4 of this paper.